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**Notice of Allowability**

Application No.

09/600,982

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Amendment filed on 12/08/2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are Claims 15-24, have been renumbered as 1-10 respectively.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
  - a) ☒ All    b) ☐ Some\*    c) ☐ None    of the:
    1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
    2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
  - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
    - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

**Attachment(s)**

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)  | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)            |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)  | 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),<br>Paper No./Mail Date _____. |
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| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit<br>of Biological Material                              | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance   |
|   | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____.   |

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PRIMARY EXAMINER**

## DETAILED ACTION

### ***Allowable Subject Matter***

Claims 15-24, have been renumbered as 1-10 respectively.

Claims 1-10 are allowed.

The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter:

Forrest, US Patent No. 6,084,875, discloses a "Traffic Route Control." Forrest does not teach or fairly suggest the following features, which are recited in the independent claims 1 and 6 of the present application:

A method for coupling a public telephone network to the Internet by dialing a number for obtaining a connection, the number being a predefined number sequence determined for Internet service providers with a specific number in the sequence being assigned to a specific Internet service provider (ISP), the public telephone network having first and second number telephone exchanges and first and second traffic telephone exchanges with the first and second traffic telephone exchanges being respectively connected to the first and second number telephone exchanges, and the first and second traffic telephone exchanges having first and second corresponding calling points respectively associated therewith for providing access to the specific ISP, the method comprising the steps of:

*setting a first routing table in the first number telephone exchange such that the specific number refers to the first calling point;*

*setting a second routing table in the second number telephone exchange such that the specific number refers to the second calling point; and*

*directing Internet traffic, via said the first and second number telephone exchanges and the first and second corresponding calling points, to the specific ISP as recited in claims 1 and 6.*

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

### **Conclusion**

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Thai D. Hoang whose telephone number is (571) 272-3184. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 10:00am-6:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chi Pham can be reached on (571) 272-3197. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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FIG. 1  
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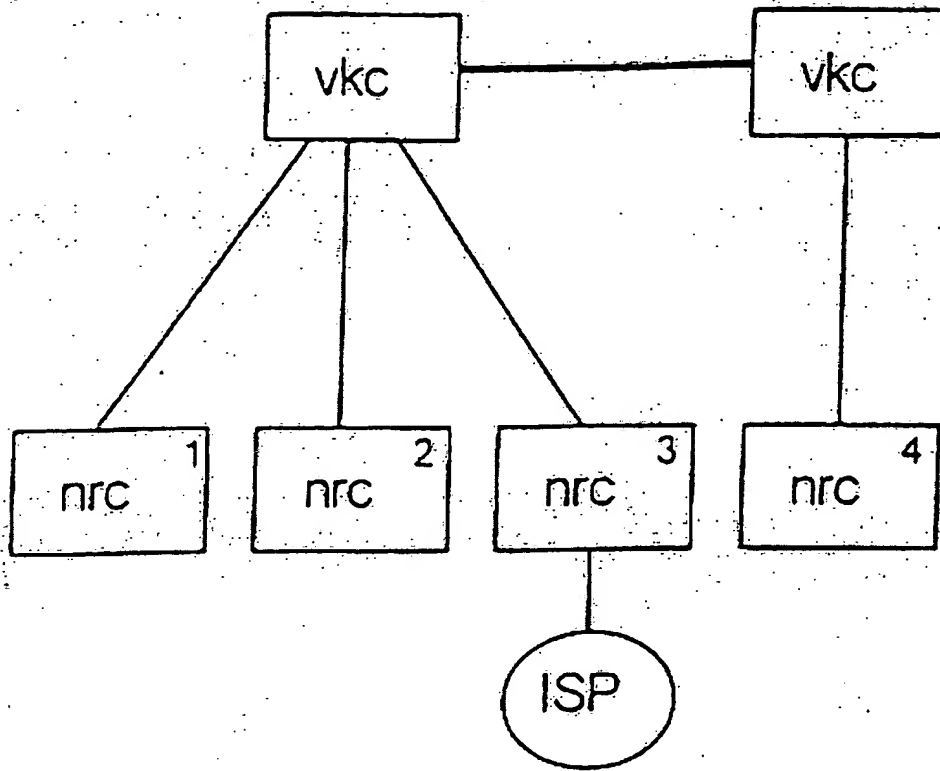


FIG. 2

